

NEWS OF THE DAY.

To show the very age and body of the Times.

On Monday night, a man named John McGinnis was run over by an engine in the Georgetown yard in Washington, and his head cut nearly entirely off, killing him instantly. One hip was also broken and his right side terribly lacerated. The deceased had been drinking with a friend, who had pawned his artificial arm to raise money, and he probably got between the engine and the train before they were connected, and while on the track caught under the tender and killed.

At Philadelphia the extensive woolen mill of John Deane, at Fairmount, was yesterday consumed, and two hundred employees thrown out of employment. Several large business establishments were destroyed at South Berwick, Me. Late last night the sugar refinery of Newhall Bros & Co., Philadelphia, was destroyed, together with its contents, and nine firemen were injured in the ruins, all of whom are supposed to have been killed.

The stockholders of the Boston and Washington Steamship Company have elected the following board of directors: S. T. Sait, E. D. Hartley, H. W. Browning, Wm. L. Kerr, E. A. Ryther and G. W. Miller. The company is now negotiating for two first class sea going vessels to run between Washington and Boston, making weekly trips, and hope to get the line in operation in two or three weeks.

Applications continue to be made from the South and West for authority to establish National banks under the recent act of Congress, giving additional facilities to these sections. Probably four or five hundred new banks will be before long going into operation. The Comptroller of the Currency will not draw upon the \$25,000,000 until the amount (\$55,000,000) provided by the law for the South and West shall have been taken by them.

The Paris Monitor du Soir says it learns from a good source that Prince Leopold of Hohenzollern and his father are in bad odor at Berlin on account of their renunciation of the Spanish throne. It adds that Count Bismarck had reproached Spain for their precipitate action, which enabled Spain to keep clear of the quarrel, and permits France to place more troops on the Rhine, as there is no need to watch Spain.

Mr. Roessig, the North German Consul General at New York, officially disavows the general of any such officers, in regard to the enrollment and forwarding of North German subjects liable to military duty, as a telegram declared had been issued by the North German Government to its foreign agents—that their passage would be paid for.

A dispatch from London, yesterday, says: Rain fell in torrents in many places across England last night, and in most cases accompanied by vivid lightning. The weather has been dry and hot, but it is sensibly cooler to day. The crops have been greatly benefited by these copious showers.

Bids were opened yesterday in the office of the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives for supplying twenty one members in the Congressional cemetery to deceased Senators and members. The contract was awarded to Alexander Rutherford, for the sum of \$2,100.

The Governor of North Carolina has refused to order the writ of habeas corpus issued by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State, and it is said, has ordered a military commission to try the persons arrested by Kirk.

On Saturday last Judge Magruder overruled the motion for a new trial previously filed in the case of John Rice, convicted of an outrage upon Mrs. John Cradall, in Calvert county, Md., and sentenced the accused to be hung.

Revenue districts are being consolidated throughout the country, and numbers of Assistant Assessors discharged, in order to reduce the cost of collecting the revenue.

The Cincinnati Gazette states that the demand for cars on the Cincinnati and Baltimore roads to move grain passing through that city is greater than the supply.

Much activity is shown throughout Ohio in assisting the proposed new line of road between Baltimore, Pittsburgh and Chicago.

A number of the men recently engaged in the strike in the Pennsylvania coal regions have resumed work.

The Texas Legislature has passed the Southern Pacific railroad bill over the veto of the Governor.

England is forwarding reinforcements of troops to Canada.

Germany and United States.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Baron Gerolt, the Ambassador of Prussia to the United States, today received the following important letter from Secretary Fish:

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, communicating to this Government, the text of a dispatch from Count Bismarck to the effect that private property on the high seas will be exempt from seizure by the ships of His Majesty the King of Prussia, without regard to reciprocity.

In compliance with the request contained in your note, the communication has been officially made public from this Department. It is now nearly a century since the United States, through Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and John Adams, then Plenipotentiaries, and under the guidance of the Great Frederick, Prussia entered into a treaty of amity and commerce, to be in force for ten years whereby it was agreed that if war should unhappily arise between the two contracting parties, all merchant and trading vessels employed in exchanging the products of different places, and thereby rendering the necessities, conveniences and comforts of human life more easy to be obtained and more general, should be allowed to pass free and unmolested, and that neither of the contracting parties should grant or issue any commission to any private armed vessels, empowering them to take or destroy such trading vessels, or interrupt such commerce.

The Government of the United States receives with great pleasure this renewed adherence of a great and enlightened German Government to the principle temporarily established by the treaty of 1785, and since then advocated by this Government whenever opportunity has offered.

In 1854 Congress said:

"Should the leading Powers of Europe concur in proposing, as a rule of international law, to exempt private property upon the ocean from seizure by public armed vessels, as well as by privateers, the United States will readily meet them on that broad ground."

In 1856 this Government was asked to give its assent to the declaration of Paris, Mr. Marcy, the Secretary of State, replied:

The President proposes to add to the first proposition in the declaration of the Congress at Paris the following words: "And that private property of the subjects or citizens of a belligerent on the high seas shall be exempted from seizure by public armed vessels of the other belligerent, unless it be contraband." Thus the United States, in the plenitude of its power, and in the presence of the other three principles enshrined in that declaration.

And again, in 1861 Mr. Seward renewed the offer to give the adhesion of the United States to the declaration of the Congress of Paris, and expressed a preference that the same amendment should be retained.

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On Sunday afternoon a difficulty occurred in the penitentiary at Richmond between two white convicts named James Holt alias Knollys-Curley, and Frank Holloway, in which Curley stabbed Holloway in the abdomen, inflicting a wound which may result fatally.

The section of country between the Rockbridge Baths and Collierstown suffered severely from the recent heavy rains. The weather was washed away, large quantities of wheat and hay were destroyed, and the roads were so badly washed as to make them almost impassable.

S. S. Turner, Commissioner, sold, on the 18th day of July, 1870, the "Carver farm," in Warren Co., situated on the Luray and Front Royal Turnpike, containing 185 acres, to Mr. Daniel Brown, for \$1,000. This property was valued, in 1860, at \$4,000.

Hon. Wm. Milnes has contributed \$1,000 towards the endowment of a "Virginia Professorship of Mechanical Engineering" in Washington College.

Maj. J. B. Stannard has been nominated, by the conservators, for Mayor of Culpeper Court House.

Lieut. Gov. Starke has returned from his excursion to the White Mountains and looks well.

Win. Wm. R. Penny and other capitalists of Winchester propose to erect a large paper mill.

In Pond du Lac, last week, there were a

horrible horror, a railroad slaughter, four men

strokes, a man killed by a horse, a boy down

in a barrel of oil spars, and another one

killed by eating glass.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, July 27, 1870

FLOUR, Superfine	\$6.60	65
Extra	6.00	60
Family	5.50	55
Common	5.00	50
WHEAT, White prime	1.25	125
Good	1.20	120
Red, prime	1.15	115
Good	1.10	110
Common	1.05	105
CORN, White	1.12	112
Mixed	1.10	110
Yellow	1.08	108
RYE	0.85	85
OATS	0.70	70
BUTTER, prime	1.25	125
Common	1.20	120
EGGS	0.12	12
IRISH POTATOES	0.25	25
LARD	0.17	17
CHICKEN, per dozen	3.00	300
DUCK, weight	2.75	275
GOOSE, weight	2.50	250
WAGON, Common	0.15	15
Shingles	0.12	12
GREEN APPLES, per bush	1.00	100
PLASTER, Ground, per ton	5.50	550
Ground	5.25	525
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LAMP, Grd. Alum (Liverpool)	1.55	155
Liverpool	1.50	150
York Island	1.45	145
Wool, Common	0.18	18
Washed	0.22	22
Merino, unwashed	0.40	40
Merino, washed	0.50	50
RYAN'S 100 lbs	1.25	125
HAY, per ton from the east	15.00	1500

REMARKS.—The market for Flour is unchanged. Wheat is firm; offerings of 35 bushels inferior white and 1111 of red, with sales of the former at 150, and of the latter at 145, 150, 165 and 167 for common to prime. Corn is quiet and steady, there being no demand except for milling purposes; offerings of 757 bushels mixed, with sales at 111 and 112. Rye is nominal \$5.66; offerings light and no sales reported. Oats are dull and declining; offerings of 1850 bushels, with sales at 45 and 50. A lot of bright Norway Oats sold at 55.

MAKING LIME.

SUN ROSE	57	MOON WATER	34
UN SATS	10	MOON WATER	30

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, JULY 27

ARRIVED.

Schrs Daniel Britan, Baltimore, and L & M Reed, Georgetown, to American Coal Co.

SAILED.

Schrs R. J. Smith, Boston; H. Blackman, Warren, and J. M. Richards, Groton, by American Coal Co.

IN THE CORPORATION COURT FOR the city of Alexandria, July term, 1870:—George H. Smoot, executor, vs. J. C. Steele's administrator et al. The Court doth adjudge, order and decree that this cause be referred to F. L. Smith, Jr., one of the Commissioners of this Court, to ascertain and report the liens upon the real estate of the said J. C. Steele, deceased, with their priority. The said Commissioner shall give notice of the time and place of executing this decree by notice, published once a week for four weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, which shall be equivalent to personal notice.

Parties interested in the decree from which the above is an extract, are hereby notified that they may appear on FRIDAY, the 26th day of August, 1870, at my office on Royal street, between King and Prince, in the city of Alexandria, to carry out the above requirements, at which time and place they are requested to be present.

FRANCIS L. SMITH, Jr., Corp. Court

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CITY COUNCIL.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Aldermen.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held July 26th, 1870, there were present: W. B. Marbury, esq., President, and Messrs. French, Simpson, Keith, and Harmon.

The reports of the Committee on Claims recommending the payment of J. & W. J. Entwistle's bill of \$167.60, and Lewis Stein's bill of \$122.00, were adopted.

The action of the Common Council upon a resolution authorizing the inmates of the Poor's House to be employed upon the streets was postponed.

The reports of the Committee on Claims recommending the payment to Mrs. M. H. Smith of \$2.25 for outlay in purchasing lumber for her coffin stand in market alley, and to T. K. Church of \$10 for rent of room, were adopted.

The action of the Common Council granting the petition of B. F. Price, ordering the payment of a bill of J. R. Alexander, and referring the petition of Frederick Pitt and others to the Committee on Streets, was concurred in.

The report of the Committee on Claims recommending that the petition of C. M. and G. E. Taylor for a division of assessment be granted, was concurred in.

The petition of H. F. Davis for correction of tax books was withdrawn from the Committee on Claims and referred to the Committee on General Laws.

The action of the Common Council in referring the petition of Mrs. S. A. Tubman and Jas. Fogarty to the Committee on Market Hours, was concurred in.

Two bills of William Bushby, amounting to \$241.85, were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Resolutions from sundry dealers in the market asking to be permitted to sell beans, potatoes, dried fruit, &c., by weight instead of measure, and for the establishment of market hours, were referred to the Committee on General Laws.

A petition of H. H. Service for redressing alleged improperly assessed taxes was referred to the Committee on Claims.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to reorganize the police force of Alexandria, passed July 15, 1870, referred by the Common Council to the Committee on General Laws, was ordered to lie on the table.

The Board then adjourned.

Teste: A. C. HARMON, Clerk pro tem.

Common Council.

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In the absence of the President, on the motion of Mr. Harrison, Mr. Shinn took the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, it was resolved, that the Keeper of the Poor's House be instructed to furnish at all times any surplus meat help which may be at that institution to the Superintendent of Police, to be used by that officer in working upon the streets or upon other work.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, it was resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be instructed to furnish the Superintendent of Police or chairman of the Committee on Streets with the copy of all resolutions that have passed the Council relating to the improvements of streets and alleys which have not yet been carried into effect.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in referring the bill of the Judges and Clerks of the Court in the 3rd ward, amounting to \$10, to the Committee on Finance with power to pay, was concurred in.

The petition of B. F. Price for a duplicate order on the Treasurer for \$125.25 for work done at the market house, the original having been lost, was granted.

A bill of J. R. Alexander for \$4 for services as judge and commissioner of election was ordered to be paid.

A petition of Frederick Pitt and others for the paving of the gutter on the east side of Patterson street between Queen and Cameron, was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petitions of John Lynch and James Fogarty for correction of assessment of town property, were referred to the Committee on Claims.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in adding the following report of the Finance Committee instructing the Auditor instead of the Mayor to issue licenses, was concurred in.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolutions of Mr. Smith in relation to his license, deeming them highly important and proper, not only as a safeguard to the people, but as a protection to the finances of the corporation.

A communication from Seifer Bros. asking for a remission of fines alleged to have been improperly imposed upon him during the Mayor's office of Mr. Bierley, was read and laid on the table.

A petition of Mrs. S. A. Tubman for correction of assessment was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in adopting the reports of the Committee on Claims to whom had been referred the following bills, petitions, &c., was concurred in: Bill of J. & W. J. Entwistle, bill of T. K. Church, resolution respecting the removal of Mrs. Elliot's coffin stand and bill of Lewis Stein.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in referring the petition of H. F. Davis from the Committee on General Laws to the Committee on Claims and referring it to the Committee on Streets, was concurred in.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in ordering a bill of James Entwistle, Jr., to be paid, was concurred in.

The action of the Board of Aldermen in referring two bills of William Bushby, a bill of J. & W. J. Entwistle and a petition of H. H. Service to the Committee on Claims and to the Committee on Streets, was concurred in.

W. H. Smith and others and Robert Williams and others to the Committee on General Laws, was concurred in.

The Chair stated that the committee to whom had been assigned the duty of forming out the office of City Scurver had awarded it to Mr. W. L. Smith, he having offered the highest bid.

The Common Council then adjourned.

Teste: HAROLD SNOWDEN, Clerk.

THE INDISPENSABLE REMEDY.

The most reliable and sure cure for malarial diseases is unquestionably the celebrated GAIETIE'S NATIVE WINE BITTERS, and for persons subject to chills and fevers there is nothing to compare with these Bitters as a tonic and preventive. They are also the best tonic and appetizer in existence, and contain no alcohol, being made of the pure California white wines, and they are recommended by all who have used them.

Sold by all druggists and grocers.

R. M. LARSON, JANNY & CO., Agents for this city.

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PLANNING MILLS, SASH, DOOR AND BLIND FACTORY.

NOS. 27 & 29 NORTH WATER ST.

DRESSED FLOORING AND WHITE PINE LUMBER.

JOHN B. LAMBDEN, Secy.

NOTICE.—I have this day disposed of my interest in the concern of TOLSON, BRO. & CO. Respectfully, A. C. TOLSON.

The undersigned having purchased the interest of A. C. Tolson, will hereafter continue the business of Tolson, Bro. & Co., under the firm name of TOLSON & CO. Hoping to continue the liberal patronage heretofore received, we are, respectfully,

TOLSON & CO.

NATURE'S HAIR RESTORATIVE.

Contains nothing injurious; is clean, safe, efficient; prevents the hair from falling off; restores gray hair; removes all dandruff, humors and unnatural humors from the head, and prevents headache. Just received and for sale by

W. F. WARFIELD & HALL.

Corner Prince and Fairfax Streets.

HOOP SKIRTS.

Opened this day a very desirable article called the "HUNS' SKIRT," the latest and best thing out. Also skirts for large ladies made to order. To which we invite special attention.

ROBERT L. WOOD.

HAVE this day received another fresh lot of

W. F. WARFIELD & HALL.

179 King st.

July 26

FOR SALE AND RENT.

FOR RENT—BRICK HOUSE, No. 1 north Water street, with 12 rooms, water and gas. Apply to J. H. D. SMOOT, July 20—2awt1

FOR RENT—The three-story DWELLING HOUSE, No. 67 south Fairfax street, Possession Aug. 10, or earlier if vacated. Mr. E. Rosenthal has the key. Apply to terms to J. S. KIDNEY, Jr., July 18-19

FOR SALE—Three FRAME HOUSES, each containing six rooms, each situated on west side of Water street, about sixty feet from Gibben. Persons wanting property that will pay a handsome interest will find this a good investment. For particulars apply to J. H. D. SMOOT, No. 15 North Horn street, July 12—2awt1

FOR RENT—I will rent for one year, or less, the large and commodious WAREHOUSE, situated in the town of Warrenton, recently occupied by Messrs. J. W. Dwyer & Co. The house has railroad facilities to the door. Possession given at once. For terms apply to W. H. GAINES, Warrenton, July 9—2aw3w

FOR RENT—The large and desirable BRICK DWELLING, No. 25 N. Fairfax street. Apply to J. H. D. SMOOT, July 17—2awt1

FOR RENT—A comfortable two-story BRICK DWELLING, on the south side of Queen street, between Washington and Columbus. Apply to N. E. CHARLES, Duke and Wash. streets, my 30

FOR RENT—The STORE, No. 220 King street. Apply at 107 King street. COOK & CREIGHTON, nov 16

SUMMER RESORTS.

PLEASANT RESORT.

GUILFORD STATION, LOUDOUN CO., VIRGINIA.

I have erected a pavilion in the grounds of Guilford, where pleasure parties can be accommodated during the summer.

An excellent spring of cool water is on the place.

Refreshments can always be obtained. Everything that can be done to make our visitors comfortable.

Excursion and picnic parties